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Mr. Martinez introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; REFERENCES IN ACT; TABLE OF
- 4 **CONTENTS.**
- 5 (a) This Act may be cited as the "Older Americans
- 6 Act Amendments of 1995".

- 1 (b) Except where otherwise specifically provided, ref-
- 2 erences in this Act shall be considered to be made to the
- 3 Older Americans Act of 1965, or to a section or other pro-
- 4 vision thereof.
- 5 (c) The table of contents of this Act is as follows:
 - Sec. 1. Short title; references in Act.

TITLE I—PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIPS

- Sec. 101. Responsibilities of Assistant Secretary.
- Sec. 102. Funding of performance partnership administrative costs and incentive awards.
- Sec. 103. Responsibilities of States.
- Sec. 104. Area plans: reorganization, streamlining, and incorporation of performance partnerships.
- Sec. 105. State plans: reorganization, streamlining, and incorporation of performance partnerships.
- Sec. 106. Effective date.

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PART D—COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT FOR OLDER AMERICANS

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- Sec. 242. Phased reduction of Federal share.
- Sec. 243. Authorization of appropriations.

PART E—GRANTS FOR NATIVE AMERICANS

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- Sec. 303. Policy Committee; related committees.
- Sec. 304. Report of the Conference.
- Sec. 306. Authorization of appropriations.

1 TITLE I—PERFORMANCE

2 **PARTNERSHIPS**

- 3 SEC. 101. RESPONSIBILITIES OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY.
- 4 (a) Functions of Assistant Secretary.—Section
- 5 202(a)(3) is amended by inserting before the semicolon
- 6 ", and to negotiate performance partnership agreements
- 7 with the States under titles III and VII".
- 8 (b) Performance Partnerships.—Title II is
- 9 amended by inserting after section 202 the following new
- 10 section:
- 11 "PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIPS
- 12 "Sec. 202A. (a) In General.—The Assistant Sec-
- 13 retary shall negotiate performance partnership agreements
- 14 with States in accordance with the provisions of this sec-
- 15 tion.

1	"(b) Performance Objectives and Measures.—
2	"(1) Designation of objectives.—The As-
3	sistant Secretary, in consultation (as appropriate)
4	with the States, local governments, tribal organiza-
5	tions, and other entities, shall specify, by the end of
6	September 1996 (and from time to time revise, as
7	needed), with respect to the goals specified in sec-
8	tions 305A and 704A—
9	"(A) a list of performance partnership ob-
10	jectives to accomplish the goals of each such
11	section, and
12	"(B) a core set for each such section of ob-
13	jectives that address needs of older Americans
14	of national significance.
15	"(2) Elements of Performance Partner-
16	SHIP OBJECTIVES.—Each performance partnership
17	objective specified under paragraph (1) shall in-
18	clude—
19	"(A) a performance indicator;
20	"(B) the specific population being ad-
21	dressed;
22	"(C) a quantifiable performance target;
23	and
24	"(D) a date by which the target level is to
25	be achieved.

1	"(3) General criteria for designation of
2	OBJECTIVES.—In specifying the performance part-
3	nership objectives, the Assistant Secretary shall be
4	guided by the following principles:
5	"(A) objectives should be closely related to
6	the goals of the section concerned, and be
7	viewed as important by and understandable to
8	State policymakers and the general public;
9	"(B) actions taken under the partnership
10	agreement should be expected to have an im-
11	pact on the objective;
12	"(C) measurable progress in achieving the
13	objective should be expected over the period of
14	the grant;
15	"(D) objectives should be results-oriented,
16	including a suitable mix of outcome, process
17	and capacity measures, and, if an objective
18	measures process or capacity, it should be de-
19	monstrably linked to the achievement of a speci-
20	fied outcome for older Americans; and
21	"(E) data to track the objective shall, to
22	the extent practicable, be comparable for all
23	States, meet reasonable statistical standards for
24	quality, and be available in a timely fashion, at

appropriate periodicity, and at reasonable cost,

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1	and, with respect to core objectives, shall in-
2	clude as appropriate the data specified in sec-
3	tion 202(a)(19), collected in accordance with
4	the uniform procedures established pursuant to
5	section 202(a)(29).
6	"(c) State Performance Partnership Pro-
7	POSAL.—
8	"(1) In general.—In order to meet the re-
9	quirements of this subsection, a performance part-
10	nership proposal submitted to the Assistant Sec-
11	retary by a State agency under title III or VII shall
12	contain—
13	"(A) a list of one or more objectives (de-
14	rived from the performance partnership objec-
15	tives specified under subsection (b)) toward
16	which the State will work and a performance
17	target for each objective which the applicant
18	will seek to achieve by the end of the partner-
19	ship period (which shall be coterminous by the
20	period covered by the State plan under section
21	307);
22	"(B) a rationale for the applicant's selec-
23	tion of its objectives, including its performance
24	targets, and timeframes;

1	"(C) a statement of the applicant's strate-
2	gies for achieving the objectives over the course
3	of the grant period;
4	"(D) a statement of the estimated amount
5	to be expended to carry out each strategy; and
6	"(E) an assurance that the State will re-
7	port to the Assistant Secretary, not later than
8	60 days after the end of each fiscal year, on
9	progress in the State toward accomplishing core
10	performance objectives specified under sub-
11	section $(b)(1)(B)$ (regardless of whether it is
12	working toward those objectives) and the spe-
13	cific objectives toward which the State is work-
14	ing under the performance partnership.
15	A State may select an objective that is not a speci-
16	fied performance partnership objective under sub-
17	section (b)(1)(A) if it demonstrates to the Assistant
18	Secretary that the objective relates to a significant
19	concern of older Americans in the State that would
20	not otherwise be addressed appropriately (and that
21	a suitable performance indicator exists to measure
22	progress toward the objective).
23	"(2) Elements of state proposals relat-
24	ING TO SPECIAL POPULATIONS.—Each State pro-

1	posal for a performance partnership under title III
2	or VII shall, as appropriate, include objectives—
3	"(A) designed, in consultation with tribal
4	governments (or their representatives) to ad-
5	dress the needs of older Indians or Native Ha-
6	waiians within the State and to ensure that an
7	appropriate and equitable share of State fund-
8	ing under such title is used to meet such needs;
9	and
10	"(B) designed to give priority to activities
11	addressing the needs of vulnerable older individ-
12	uals in the State.
13	"(d) Negotiations and Adjustment.—
14	"(1) Initial negotiations.—In the negotia-
15	tions concerning a proposed performance partner-
16	ship agreement submitted under this section, the As-
17	sistant Secretary shall—
18	"(A) consider the extent to which the
19	State's proposed objectives, performance tar-
20	gets, timeframes, and strategies are likely to
21	address appropriately the most significant
22	needs of older Americans (as measured by ap-
23	plicable indicators) within the State, including
24	the needs of vulnerable populations, and

1	"(B) give particular consideration to the
2	State's proposed performance partnership in
3	addressing progress toward the core set of per-
4	formance partnership objectives.
5	"(2) Adjustment.—The Assistant Secretary
6	and a State may at any time in the course of a per-
7	formance partnership renegotiate, and revise by mu-
8	tual agreement, the elements of the partnership
9	agreement in light of new information or changed
10	circumstances (including information or changes
11	identified during assessments or on-site reviews
12	under subsection (e)).
13	"(e) Annual Assessments; Periodic On-Site Re-
14	VIEWS.—
15	"(1) Assessments.—The Assistant Secretary
16	shall assess annually with respect to performance
17	partnerships under each of titles III and VII, on the
18	basis of the report submitted by a State under sub-
19	section $(c)(1)(E)$ —
20	"(A) the progress achieved nationally to-
21	ward each of the objectives in the core set of
22	performance partnership objectives; and
23	
	"(B) in consultation with each State, the

- upon in the performance partnership under such title.
- The Assistant Secretary shall make assessments publicly available.
- "(2) Periodic on-site reviews.—The Assistant Secretary shall conduct an on-site review of each State's adherence to its performance partnership agreement under title III or VII not less often than every five years.
- 10 "(f) Incentive Awards for Effective Perform-
- 11 ANCE.—From amounts reserved under section 304(a), the
- 12 Assistant Secretary may make an incentive award to any
- 13 State determined, on the basis of assessments or on-site
- 14 reviews under subsection (e) or other investigation, to have
- 15 performed effectively under a performance partnership
- 16 agreement under title III or VII and to have made signifi-
- 17 cant progress toward meeting core national objectives. In-
- 18 centive awards made to States shall be available only for
- 19 use in furnishing additional services under the State's
- 20 agreement under such title.".
- 21 (c) Definitions.—Section 102 is amended by add-
- 22 ing at the end the following new paragraph:
- 23 "(45)(A) The term 'performance indicator'
- 24 means a quantifiable characteristic used as a meas-
- 25 urement.

1	"(B) The term 'performance target' means a
2	numerical value sought to be achieved within a spec-
3	ified period of time.".
4	SEC. 102. FUNDING OF PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIP AD-
5	MINISTRATIVE COSTS AND INCENTIVE
6	AWARDS.
7	(a) State Administrative Costs Related to
8	Performance Partnerships.—Section 308 is amended
9	by adding at the end the following new subsection:
10	"(d) In addition to amounts otherwise available under
11	this section, each State may use, for costs relating to the
12	administration of performance partnerships under this
13	title and title VII, including costs of developing, negotiat-
14	ing, administering, monitoring, evaluating, and reporting
15	on performance under, such partnerships, such additional
16	amounts from the allotment to the State under section
17	304 (not to exceed 2 percent of such allotment) as the
18	Assistant Secretary may permit.".
19	(b) Set-Aside for Incentive Awards.—
20	(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 304 is amended—
21	(A) by redesignating subsections (a)
22	through (e) as subsections (b) through (f); and
23	(B) by inserting after "SEC. 304." the fol-
24	lowing new subsection:

- 1 "(a) Reservation of Funds for Performance
- 2 Partnership Incentive Awards.—From each of the
- 3 sums appropriated under section 303 for each fiscal year,
- 4 the Assistant Secretary may reserve up to 10 percent for
- 5 performance incentive awards to States in accordance with
- 6 section 205(f).".
- 7 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
- 8 304(b), as redesignated by subsection (a), is amend-
- 9 ed by striking "from the sums appropriated" and in-
- serting "from the amounts remaining, after applica-
- tion of subsection (a), from the sums appropriated".
- 12 SEC. 103. RESPONSIBILITIES OF STATES.
- 13 (a) Under Basic State Grants Program.—Title
- 14 III is amended by inserting after section 305 the following
- 15 new section:
- 16 "PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIPS
- 17 "SEC. 305A. (a) GOALS.—The goals of this section
- 18 are for the States and the Federal Government, working
- 19 together in a partnership, to accomplish the purposes
- 20 specified in section 301(a).
- 21 "(b) Performance Partnership as Element of
- 22 STATE PLAN.—In order to be eligible to receive a grant
- 23 from its allotment under this title, except as provided in
- 24 section 309(a), a State shall propose to and negotiate with
- 25 the Assistant Secretary a performance partnership agree-
- 26 ment in accordance with the provisions of this section and

- 1 section 202A, and shall include such agreement as part
- 2 of the State plan under section 307.
- 3 "(c) Advisory Council.—The State shall establish
- 4 an Advisory Council, with members including representa-
- 5 tives of other State agencies administering programs serv-
- 6 ing the elderly, private entities providing services under
- 7 the State plan, and older individuals (with appropriate ef-
- 8 forts to include members of minority groups), whose re-
- 9 sponsibilities shall include—
- 10 "(1) reviewing and commenting on the State's
- proposed performance partnership agreement under
- this section (and such comments shall be included
- with the State plan submission under section 307);
- 14 and
- 15 "(2) evaluating and reporting on the State's
- performance under the final agreement negotiated
- with the Assistant Secretary.".
- 18 (b) Under Vulnerable Elder Rights Protec-
- 19 TION PROGRAM.—Title VII is amended by inserting after
- 20 section 704 the following new section:
- 21 "PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIPS
- "Sec. 704A. (a) Goals.—The goals of this section
- 23 are for the States and the Federal Government, working
- 24 together in a partnership, to protect the rights of vulner-
- 25 able older individuals and to prevent elder abuse, neglect,
- 26 and exploitation.

- 1 "(b) State Performance Partnership as Ele-
- 2 MENT OF STATE PLAN.—In order to be eligible to receive
- 3 a grant from its allotment under this title, a State shall
- 4 propose to and negotiate with the Assistant Secretary a
- 5 performance partnership agreement in accordance with
- 6 the provisions of this section and section 202A, and shall
- 7 include such agreement as part of the State plan under
- 8 section 307.
- 9 "(c) Advisory Council.—The responsibilities of the
- 10 advisory council established by the State pursuant to sec-
- 11 tion 305A(c) State shall include—
- 12 "(1) reviewing and commenting on the State's
- proposed performance partnership agreements under
- this title (and such comments shall be included with
- the State plan submission under section 307); and
- 16 "(2) evaluating and reporting on the State's
- performance under the final agreement negotiated
- with the Assistant Secretary under this title.".
- 19 (c) STATE PLAN REQUIREMENT.—Section 307(a) is
- 20 amended in the first sentence by striking "which meets
- 21 such criteria" and inserting "which includes the perform-
- 22 ance partnership agreements under this title and title VII
- 23 negotiated with the Assistant Secretary under sections
- 24 202A, 305A, and 704A, and meets such other criteria".

1	SEC. 104. AREA PLANS: REORGANIZATION, STREAMLINING
2	AND INCORPORATION OF PERFORMANCE
3	PARTNERSHIPS.
4	(a) Area Plan Requirements.—Section 306(a) is
5	amended—
6	(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by
7	striking "Each such plan shall—" and inserting
8	"Each such plan shall comply with the following re-
9	quirements:";
10	(2) in paragraph (1), to read as follows:
11	"(1) Services provided.—The plan shall pro-
12	vide for the furnishing, through a comprehensive
13	and coordinated system, of services the need for
14	which has been determined pursuant to paragraph
15	(3), and which are designed to meet the performance
16	objectives specified under paragraph (4), including—
17	"(A) supportive services (including at least
18	the service specified in paragraph (2);
19	"(B) nutrition services; and
20	"(C) where appropriate, the establishment,
21	maintenance, or construction of multipurpose
22	senior centers.";
23	(3) in paragraph (2)—
24	(A) by inserting "Priority services.—
25	The plan shall" after "(2)":

1	(B) by striking "section 307(a)(22)" and
2	inserting "section 307(a)(2)";
3	(C) by striking "and specify annually in
4	such plan, as submitted or as amended" and in-
5	serting "and assurances that the area agency
6	will report annually to the State agency"; and
7	(D) by striking the semicolon at the end
8	and inserting a period;
9	(4) by striking paragraphs (3) (designation of
10	focal points for service delivery in each community)
11	and (4) (information and assistance services);
12	(5) by inserting after paragraph (2) the follow-
13	ing new paragraphs:
14	"(3) Determination of Needs.—The plan
15	shall provide for determining the extent of need for
16	the services specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) in
17	the area taking into consideration, among other
18	things—
19	"(A) the numbers of older individuals re-
20	siding in such area—
21	"(i) who have low incomes,
22	"(ii) who have greatest economic need
23	(with particular attention to individuals
24	who are members of historically disadvan-
25	taged groups),

1	"(iii) who have greatest social need
2	(with particular attention to individuals
3	who are members of historically disadvan-
4	taged groups), or
5	"(iv) who are Indians; and
6	"(B) the effectiveness of use of resources
7	(including efforts of volunteers and voluntary
8	organizations) in meeting such need.
9	"(4) PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIP OBJEC-
10	TIVES.—The plan shall identify area objectives, for
11	purposes of the performance partnership required
12	under sections 305A and 704A, on the basis of the
13	determinations under paragraph (3) (and including
14	objectives required under paragraph (5)), and shall
15	be amended as necessary to incorporate, as appro-
16	priate, the objectives specified in the agreements ne-
17	gotiated by the State agency under such sections
18	305A and 704A.";
19	(6) in paragraph (5)—
20	(A) by inserting "Objectives for serv-
21	ICES TO OLDER INDIVIDUALS WITH GREATEST
22	NEED.—The plan shall" after "(5)"; and
23	(B) by striking the semicolon at the end
24	and inserting a period;
25	(7) in paragraph (6)—

1	(A) by inserting "Policy develop-
2	MENT.—The plan shall—" after "(6)";
3	(B) by striking subparagraphs (A) (evalua-
4	tions and public hearings) and (B) (technical
5	assistance to providers);
6	(C) by relocating and redesignating sub-
7	paragraph (D) as subparagraph (A);
8	(D) by relocating and redesignating sub-
9	paragraph (F) as subparagraph (B);
10	(E) by striking the semicolon at the end of
11	subparagraph (C) and inserting a period; and
12	(F) by striking subparagraphs (E) (ar-
13	rangements with specified organizations), (G)
14	(methods for determining priority services), (H)
15	(coordination among programs), (J) (identifica-
16	tion of protective services providers), (L) (co-
17	ordination of services for Alzheimer's patients),
18	(M) (coordination of mental health services),
19	(O) (information on higher education), (Q) (co-
20	ordination with housing providers), (R) (tele-
21	phone listings of area agencies), and (S) (co-
22	ordination of transportation services);
23	(8) by striking paragraphs (7) through (10)
24	(assurances that funds will be spent for the purposes
25	awarded):

1	(9) by striking subparagraphs (I) and (K) of
2	paragraph (6) (community-based long-term care
3	services) and inserting after paragraph (6) the fol-
4	lowing new paragraph:
5	"(7) Community-based long-term care
6	SERVICES.—The plan shall provide that the area
7	agency will facilitate the coordination of community-
8	based, long-term care services designed to enable
9	older individuals to remain in their homes, by means
10	including—
11	"(A) development of case management
12	services as a component of the long-term care
13	services, consistent with the requirements of
14	paragraph (8);
15	"(B) involvement of long-term care provid-
16	ers in the coordination of such services; and
17	"(C) increasing community awareness of
18	and involvement in addressing the needs of resi-
19	dents of long-term care facilities.";
20	(10) by relocating and redesignating paragraph
21	(20) as paragraph (8), and amending such para-
22	graph by inserting "Provision of Case Manage-
23	MENT SERVICES.—The plan shall" after "(8)";
24	(11) by redesignating paragraph (11) as para-
25	graph (9), and amending such paragraph—

1	(A) by inserting "Maintenance of ef-
2	FORT FOR OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM.—The plan
3	shall" after "(9)";
4	(B) by striking "section 307(a)(12)" and
5	inserting "section 307(a)(9)"; and
6	(C) by striking the semicolon at the end
7	and inserting a period;
8	(12) by redesignating and relocating paragraph
9	(6)(P) as paragraph (10), and amending such para-
10	graph—
11	(A) by inserting "Grievance proce-
12	DURE.—The plan shall" after "(10)"; and
13	(B) by striking the semicolon and inserting
14	a period;
15	(13) by striking paragraphs $(6)(N)$, (18) , and
16	(19), and inserting after paragraph (10) the follow-
17	ing paragraph:
18	"(11) Services to native americans.—The
19	plan shall provide the following assurances concern-
20	ing services to older Native Americans:
21	"(A) If there is a significant population of
22	older individuals who are Indians in the area,
23	the area agency will pursue activities, including
24	outreach, to increase access of such individuals
25	to programs and benefits under this title.

1	"(B) The area agency will, to the maxi-
2	mum extent practicable, coordinate the services
3	it provides under this title with services pro-
4	vided under title VI.";
5	(14) by striking paragraph (12) (area option
6	concerning volunteer services coordinator);
7	(15) by striking paragraphs (13) through (16)
8	(description of and assurances concerning activities
9	of area agency); and
10	(16) by redesignating paragraph (17) as para-
11	graph (12) and amending such paragraph—
12	(A) by inserting "Special menus in nu-
13	TRITION PROGRAMS.—" after "(12)";
14	(B) by striking "section 307(a)(13)(G)"
15	and inserting "section 307(a)(10)(D)"; and
16	(C) by striking the semicolon and inserting
17	a period.
18	(b) STATE WAIVERS.—Section 306(b) is amended—
19	(1) by striking paragraph (2) (procedural re-
20	quirements for State agency waivers to area agen-
21	cies); and
22	(2) by striking "(1)" after "(b)"

1	SEC. 105. STATE PLANS: REORGANIZATION, STREAMLINING,
2	AND INCORPORATION OF PERFORMANCE
3	PARTNERSHIPS.
4	(a) State Plan Requirements.—Section 307(a) is
5	amended—
6	(1) by striking paragraphs (1) and (2) and in-
7	serting the following:
8	"(1) Area plans and performance part-
9	NERSHIPS.—The plan shall—
10	"(A) require each area agency designated
11	under section 305(a)(2)(A) to—
12	"(i) develop and submit to the State
13	agency for approval, in accordance with a
14	uniform format developed by the State
15	agency, an area plan meeting the require-
16	ments of section 306 which specifies area
17	objectives for purposes of performance
18	partnerships under sections 305A and
19	704A, as required by section 306(a)(4);
20	and
21	"(ii) amend such area plan as nec-
22	essary to incorporate, as appropriate, ob-
23	jectives specified in the performance part-
24	nership agreements negotiated by the State
25	agency under such sections 305A and
26	704A;

1	"(B) be based on such area plans; and
2	"(C) include the performance partnership
3	agreements negotiated by the State agency with
4	the Assistant Secretary under such sections
5	305A and 704A.";
6	(2) by striking paragraphs (3)(A) (evaluation of
7	need for services), (9) (information and assistance
8	services), and (22) (funding shares for priority serv-
9	ices), and amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-
10	lows:
11	"(2) DETERMINATION OF SERVICE NEEDS.—
12	The plan shall provide that the State agency will—
13	"(A) evaluate, using uniform procedures
14	under section 202(a)(29) the need for support-
15	ive services (including legal assistance, informa-
16	tion and assistance, and transportation serv-
17	ices), nutrition services, and multipurpose sen-
18	ior centers within the State;
19	"(B) determine the extent to which exist-
20	ing public or private programs and resources
21	(including volunteers and programs and services
22	of voluntary organizations) meet such need; and
23	"(C) specify a minimum percentage of the
24	funds received by each area agency for part B
25	to be expended (unless waived by the State

1	agency under section 306(b)) by such area
2	agency to provide each of the categories of serv-
3	ices specified in section 306(a)(2).";
4	(3) by striking paragraphs (3)(B) (maintaining
5	rural funding), (29) and (37) (rural services and
6	costs thereof), and (33) (intrastate funding for-
7	mula), and adding after paragraph (2) the following
8	new paragraph:
9	"(3) Intrastate funding requirements.—
10	The plan shall—
11	"(A) shall include (and may not be ap-
12	proved unless the Assistant Secretary approves)
13	the statement and demonstration required by
14	paragraphs (2) and (4) of section 305 (d) (con-
15	cerning intra-State distribution of funds); and
16	"(B) with respect to services to older indi-
17	viduals residing in rural areas—
18	"(i) provide assurances that the State
19	agency will spend for each fiscal year,
20	under this title and titles V and VII, not
21	less than 105 percent of the amount so ex-
22	pended for fiscal year 1978;
23	''(ii) identify, for each fiscal year
24	under the plan, the projected costs of pro-

1	viding such services (including the cost of
2	providing access to such services); and
3	"(iii) describe the methods used to
4	meet the needs for such services in the fis-
5	cal year preceding the first year to which
6	such plan applies.";
7	(4) by striking paragraph (4) (methods of ad-
8	ministration, personnel standards);
9	(5) by striking paragraph (8) (evaluations and
10	hearings) and inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-
11	lowing paragraph:
12	"(4) Evaluations.—The plan shall provide
13	that the State agency will conduct periodic evalua-
14	tions of, and public hearings on, activities and
15	projects carried out under the State plan.";
16	(6) by striking paragraph (43) (grievance pro-
17	cedures) and amending paragraph (5) (hearing for
18	area agencies and providers) to read as follows:
19	"(5) Hearings for area agencies and pro-
20	VIDERS; GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES.—The plan shall
21	provide that the State agency will—
22	"(A) afford an opportunity for a hearing
23	upon request, in accordance with published pro-
24	cedures, to any area agency submitting a plan

1	under this title, or to any provider of (or appli-
2	cant to provide) services under such a plan; and
3	"(B) issue guidelines applicable to griev-
4	ance procedures required by section
5	306(a)(10).'';
6	(7) in paragraph (6), by inserting "RE-
7	PORTS.—" after "(6)";
8	(8) in paragraph (7)—
9	(A) by inserting "FISCAL CONTROLS.—"
10	after ''(7)''; and
11	(B) by striking subparagraph (C);
12	(9) by redesignating paragraph (10) as para-
13	graph (8) and amending such paragraph by insert-
14	ing "Restriction on direct provision of serv-
15	ICES.—" after "(8)";
16	(10) by striking paragraph (11) (hiring pref-
17	erence for older individuals and individuals trained
18	in field of aging);
19	(11)(A) by redesignating paragraph (12) as
20	paragraph (9), and amending such paragraph—
21	(i) by inserting "Long-term care om-
22	BUDSMAN PROGRAM.—" after "(9)"; and
23	(ii) by adding before the period ", and will
24	expend for such purpose not less than the total

1	amount so expended by the State agency in fis-
2	cal year 1991''; and
3	(B) by striking paragraph (21);
4	(12) by redesignating paragraph (13) as para-
5	graph (10), and amending such paragraph—
6	(A) by inserting "Nutrition serv-
7	ICES.—" after "(10)";
8	(B) by striking subparagraphs (B) (pri-
9	mary consideration to congregate meals), (D)
10	(accessibility of congregate meal site), (E) (out-
11	reach), (H) (grandfathered providers of home-
12	delivered meals), and (M) (nonfinancial eligi-
13	bility criteria); and
14	(C)(i) by inserting "and" at the end of
15	subparagraph (K);
16	(ii) by striking "; and" at the end of sub-
17	paragraph (L) and inserting a period; and
18	(iii) by redesignating subparagraph (C)
19	and the remaining subparagraphs as subpara-
20	graphs (B) through (H);
21	(13) by striking paragraph (14) (restrictions on
22	use of funds under the Act for acquisition, alter-
23	ation, or construction of facilities);
24	(14) by redesignating paragraph (15) as para-
25	graph (11), and amending such paragraph—

1	(A) by inserting "Legal assistance.—"
2	after "(11)"; and
3	(B)(i) by striking "and" at the end of sub-
4	paragraph (D); and
5	(ii) by striking the period at the end of
6	subparagraph (E) and inserting "; and; and
7	(C)(i) by amending paragraph (18) by
8	striking all that precedes "assign personnel"
9	and inserting "the State will"; and
10	(ii) by relocating and redesignating such
11	paragraph (18) as paragraph (11)(F);
12	(15) by redesignating paragraph (16) as para-
13	graph (12), and amending such paragraph by insert-
14	ing "Prevention of Abuse.—" after "(12)";
15	(16) by striking paragraph (17) (in-service per-
16	sonnel training);
17	(17) by striking paragraph (19) (guarantees
18	that area agencies may give grants or contracts to
19	providers of education and training services);
20	(18) by redesignating paragraph (20) as para-
21	graph (13), and amending such paragraph by insert-
22	ing "Older individuals of limited english-
23	SPEAKING ABILITY.—";
24	(19) by redesignating paragraph (23) as para-
25	graph (14), and amending such paragraph by insert-

1	ing "Special needs populations.—" after
2	"(14)";
3	(20) by redesignating paragraph (24) as para-
4	graph (15), and amending such paragraph by insert-
5	ing "Outreach.—" after "(15)";
6	(21) by redesignating paragraph (25) as para-
7	graph (16), and amending such paragraph by insert-
8	ing "Older individuals with severe disabil-
9	ITIES.—" after "(16)";
10	(22) by redesignating paragraph (26) as para-
11	graph (17), and amending such paragraph—
12	(A) by inserting "Community-based
13	LONG-TERM CARE SERVICES.—" after "(17)";
14	and
15	(B) by striking "section 306(a)(6)(I)" and
16	inserting "section 306(a)(6)(D)";
17	(23) by relocating and redesignating paragraph
18	(44) as paragraph (17)(B);
19	(24) by striking paragraph (27) (assurances
20	concerning part D in-home services program);
21	(25) by striking paragraph (28) (assurances
22	concerning part E special needs program);
23	(26) by redesignating paragraph (30) as para-
24	graph (18), and amending such paragraph by insert-
25	ing "TITLE VIL PROCRAM —" after "(18)"

(27) by striking paragraph (31) (State volun-1 2 teer services coordinator); 3 (28) by redesignating paragraph (32) as para-4 graph (19), and amending such paragraph by insert-5 ing "Technical assistance to providers.—" 6 after "(19)"; (29)(A) by redesignating paragraph (34) as 7 paragraph (20), and amending such paragraph by 8 inserting "OLDER NATIVE AMERICANS.—(A)" after 9 "(20)"; and 10 (B) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and 11 (B) of paragraph (35) as clauses (i) and (ii), and re-12 13 designating and relocating such paragraph (35) as 14 subparagraph (B) of paragraph (20); 15 (30) by redesignating paragraph (36) as paragraph (21), and amending such paragraph by insert-16 ing "CASE MANAGEMENT PROVIDERS.—" after 17 "(21)"; 18 19 (31) by striking paragraphs (38) and (39) (assurances concerning use of funds); 20 21 (32) by striking paragraph (40) (assurances 22 concerning part G program for in-home caretakers); 23 (33) by striking paragraph (41) (efforts to co-24 ordinate services and provide multigenerational ac-25 tivities); and

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(34) by striking paragraph (42) (coordination

2 of transportation services). 3 SEC. 106. EFFECTIVE DATE. 4 The amendments made by this title shall become effective with respect to a State on the effective date of the first State plan under section 307 of the Older Americans Act of 1965 that takes effect one year or later after the enactment of this Act. 8 TITLE II—OTHER AMENDMENTS TO THE OLDER AMERICANS 10 **ACT OF 1965** 11 12 PART A—ADMINISTRATION ON AGING SEC. 201. NATIONAL ELDERCARE LOCATOR SERVICE. 14 Section 202(a)(24) is amended to read as follows: 15 "(24) develop and operate, either directly or 16 through contracts, grants, or cooperative agree-17 ments, a National Eldercare Locator Service, providing nationwide toll-free information and assistance 18 19 services to identify community resources for older in-20 dividuals:". 21 SEC. 202. AUTHORIZATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS. 22 (a) Federal Council on the Aging.—Section 204(g) is amended by striking all that follows "to carry out this section" and inserting "\$226,000 for fiscal year

- 1 1996 and such sums as necessary for each of fiscal years
- 2 1997 and 1998.".
- 3 (b) Administration on Aging.—Section 215 is
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 5 "Sec. 215. There are authorized to be appropriated,
- 6 for carrying out the responsibilities of the Administration
- 7 on Aging under this title—
- 8 "(1) for fiscal year 1996, \$18,149,000, plus
- 9 such additional sums as may be necessary to carry
- out responsibilities with respect to programs under
- section 311 and title V transferred to the Adminis-
- tration on Aging by the Older Americans Act
- Amendments of 1995, and
- 14 "(2) such sums as may be necessary for each
- of fiscal years 1997 and 1998,
- 16 of which up to \$1,000,000 for each such fiscal year shall
- 17 be available for operation of the National Eldercare Loca-
- 18 tor Service under section 202(a)(24).".
- 19 PART B—STATE AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS ON
- 20 AGING
- 21 SEC. 211. CLARIFICATION CONCERNING SERVICES TO
- 22 **NONELDERLY.**
- Section 301 is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 24 lowing new subsection:
- 25 "(d) Scope of Services; Use of Funds.—

"(1) RESTRICTED USE OF RESOURCES UNDER
ACT.—Federal funds paid to States under this title,
and cash and in-kind contributions required by section 304(e) (as redesignated by section 102 of this
Act) as the non-Federal share of expenditures under
this title, shall be used only for activities and services to benefit older individuals and other individuals
as specifically provided in this title.

"(2) RESTRICTION INAPPLICABLE TO OTHER RESOURCES.—Neither paragraph (1) nor any other provision of this title shall be construed to prohibit State or area agencies on aging from engaging in activities or providing services to benefit individuals not described in paragraph (1) using cash or in-kind resources from sources not described in paragraph (1)."

17 SEC. 212. COORDINATION OF SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS

18 WITH DISABILITIES UNDER AREA PLANS.

Section 306(a) (as amended by section 104 of this 20 Act) is further amended by inserting after paragraph (3) 21 the following new paragraph:

> "(4) provide assurances that the area agency on aging will coordinate planning, identification, assessment of needs, and service for older individuals with disabilities, with particular attention to individuals

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1	with severe disabilities, with agencies that develop or
2	provide services for individuals with disabilities.".
3	SEC. 213. ELIGIBILITY OF OLDER INDIANS FOR SERVICES
4	UNDER AREA PLANS.
5	(a) Under Area Plans.—Section 306(a)(18) is
6	amended by inserting before the semicolon ", including as-
7	surances that, notwithstanding any provision of this Act
8	restricting eligibility for services to individuals aged 60 or
9	older, it will make services under the area plan available,
10	to the same extent as such services are available to older
11	individuals within the service area, to older Indians eligible
12	for services under an approved plan under title VI''.
13	(b) Under Grants for Native Americans.—Sec-
14	tions 602, 611, 613, and 614 are each amended by strik-
15	ing "individuals who are" each place it appears.
16	SEC. 214. STATE OPTION FOR COST SHARING.
17	(a) State Plan Requirement.—Section 307(a) (as
18	amended by section 105 of this Act) is further amended
19	by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
20	"(31) If the State elects to require cost sharing
21	by recipients of services under the State plan (or to
22	require or permit area agencies on aging to require
23	cost sharing by recipients of services under area

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plans), the plan shall—

1	"(A) provide that no cost sharing shall be
2	required for—
3	"(i) information and assistance, out-
4	reach, or case management services;
5	"(ii) ombudsman or other protective
6	services; or
7	''(iii) congregate or home-delivered
8	nutrition services; and
9	"(B)(i) exempt from cost-sharing require-
10	ments individuals with incomes below a low-in-
11	come threshold set by the State, and
12	"(ii) set cost-sharing rates for individuals
13	with incomes above such threshold on a sliding-
14	fee scale based on income.".
15	(b) Area Plan Requirement.—Section 306(a) (as
16	amended by section 104 of this Act) is further amended—
17	(1) by striking the period at the end of para-
18	graph (11) and inserting a semicolon; and
19	(2) by adding at the end the following new
20	paragraph:
21	"(12) provide assurances that any requirements
22	for cost-sharing by recipients of services under the
23	plan will be consistent with the provisions of the
24	State plan under section 307(a)(31)".

1	SEC. 215. STATE OPTION CONCERNING CONSUMER-DI-
2	RECTED SERVICES.
3	Section 307(a) (as amended by sections 105 and 214
4	of this Act) is further amended by adding at the end the
5	following new paragraph:
6	"(32) The plan shall specify—
7	"(A) whether (and if so, with respect to
8	which supportive or nutrition services) the State
9	elects to permit area agencies on aging—
10	"(i) to provide services to older indi-
11	viduals through direct contracts with the
12	individuals delivering such services; or
13	"(ii) to provide vouchers or cash to
14	older individuals to permit such older indi-
15	viduals to contract with individuals or enti-
16	ties for the delivery of such services (and,
17	if so, any requirements for the setting of
18	payment rates or amounts);
19	"(B) the qualifications and other require-
20	ments that must be met by individuals and enti-
21	ties providing services under such arrange-
22	ments; and
23	"(C) whether (and, if so, the conditions
24	under which) services may be provided to an
25	older individual by a family member under such
26	an arrangement.".

1	SEC. 216. TRANSFER OF FUNDS BETWEEN PROGRAMS.
2	(a) Streamlining of General Rules.—Section
3	308(b) is amended—
4	(1) in paragraph (4)—
5	(A) by striking "(A)" after "(4)"; and
6	(B) by striking subparagraph (B) (Assist-
7	ant Secretary's discretion to permit State to
8	transfer additional amounts between congregate
9	and home-delivered meal programs); and
10	(2) in paragraph (5) (authority to transfer
11	funds between nutrition and services programs), to
12	read as follows:
13	"(5) Of the funds received by a State for a fis-
14	cal year from funds appropriated under subsections
15	(a)(1), and (b)(1) and (2), of section 303, the State
16	may elect to transfer not more than 20 percent be-
17	tween programs under part B and part C, for use
18	as the State considers appropriate.".
19	(b) Waiver Authority.—For the Assistant Sec-
20	retary's authority to waive limitations on amounts trans-
21	ferable between programs, see section 219 of this Act,
22	adding a new section 314.
23	SEC. 217. AVAILABILITY OF DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS TO
24	TRIBAL ORGANIZATIONS.
25	Section 310 is amended—
26	(1) in subsection (a)(1)—

1	(A) by inserting "(or to any tribal organi-
2	zation receiving a grant under title VI)" after
3	"any State"; and
4	(B) by inserting "(or used by such tribal
5	organization)" before "for the delivery of sup-
6	portive services'';
7	(2) in subsection (a)(2), by inserting "and trib-
8	al organizations" after "States"; and
9	(3) in subsection (a)(3), by inserting "or tribal
10	organization" after "State" each place it appears;
11	and
12	(4) in subsections (b)(1) and (c,) by inserting
13	"and tribal organizations" after "States".
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14 15 16 17	SEC. 218. NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—Section 311, including the heading thereof, is amended to read as follows:
14 15 16 17	SEC. 218. NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—Section 311, including the heading thereof, is amended to read as follows: "NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM
114 115 116 117 118	SEC. 218. NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—Section 311, including the heading thereof, is amended to read as follows: "NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM" "Sec. 311. (a) Purpose.—The purpose of the pro-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	SEC. 218. NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—Section 311, including the heading thereof, is amended to read as follows: "NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM" "SEC. 311. (a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the program under this section is to provide incentives to encour-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	SEC. 218. NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—Section 311, including the heading thereof, is amended to read as follows: "NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM" "Sec. 311. (a) Purpose.—The purpose of the program under this section is to provide incentives to encourage and reward effective performance by States and tribal
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	SEC. 218. NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—Section 311, including the heading thereof, is amended to read as follows: "NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM" "SEC. 311. (a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the program under this section is to provide incentives to encourage and reward effective performance by States and tribal organizations in the efficient delivery of nutritious meals
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	SEC. 218. NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—Section 311, including the heading thereof, is amended to read as follows: "NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM" "Sec. 311. (a) Purpose.—The purpose of the program under this section is to provide incentives to encourage and reward effective performance by States and tribal organizations in the efficient delivery of nutritious meals to older Americans.
114 114 115 116 117 118 119 220 221 222 223 224	SEC. 218. NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—Section 311, including the heading thereof, is amended to read as follows: "NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM" "Sec. 311. (a) Purpose.—The purpose of the program under this section is to provide incentives to encourage and reward effective performance by States and tribal organizations in the efficient delivery of nutritious meals to older Americans. "(b) Payments to Tribal Organizations.—

tribal organizations in accordance with paragraph (2).

"(2) ALLOTMENT AND PAYMENT.—The Assistant Secretary shall allot and pay, to each tribal organization with a plan approved under title VI for a fiscal year, an amount bearing the same ratio to the total amount reserved under paragraph (1) as the number of meals served by such tribal organization, under such plan approved for the preceding fiscal year, bears to the total number of meals served by all tribal organizations under all such plans approved for such preceding fiscal year.

"(c) Payments to States.—

- "(1) Funding.—The Assistant Secretary shall allot among the States for each fiscal year, in accordance with paragraph (2), the balance of amounts appropriated under subsection (d) remaining after application of subsection (b).
- "(2) ALLOTMENT AND PAYMENT.—The Assistant Secretary shall allot and pay, to each State agency with a plan approved under this title for a fiscal year, an amount bearing the same ratio to the total amount reserved under paragraph (1) as the number of meals served in the State, under such plan approved for the preceding fiscal year, bears to

- the total number of meals served in all States under
- 2 all such plans approved for such preceding fiscal
- 3 year.
- 4 "(d) Authorization of Appropriations.—For
- 5 carrying out the purposes of this section, there are author-
- 6 ized to be appropriated \$151,250,000 for fiscal year 1996
- 7 and such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
- 8 1997 and 1998.".
- 9 (b) Elimination of Maintenance of Effort.—
- 10 Section 339A is repealed.
- 11 SEC. 219. WAIVERS OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR
- 12 **STATE PROGRAMS.**
- 13 (a) GENERAL WAIVER AUTHORITY.—Part A of title
- 14 III is amended by adding at the end the following new
- 15 section:
- 16 "WAIVERS
- 17 "Sec. 315. (a) In General.—The Assistant Sec-
- 18 retary may waive any of the provisions enumerated in sub-
- 19 section (b) with respect to a State, upon application by
- 20 the State agency containing or accompanied by docu-
- 21 mentation sufficient to establish, to the satisfaction of the
- 22 Assistant Secretary, that—
- 23 "(1) approval of the State legislature has been
- obtained or is not required;

"(2) the State agency has consulted with area 1 2 agencies on aging with respect to the proposal for which waiver is sought; 3 "(3) such proposal has been made available for 5 public review and comment within the State (and a summary of comments received shall be included 6 7 with the application); and "(4) the State agency has given adequate con-8 sideration to the probable positive and negative con-9 sequences of approval of the waiver application, and 10 the probable benefits for older individuals can rea-11 sonably be expected to outweigh any negative con-12 sequences, or particular circumstances in the State 13 14 otherwise justify the waiver. 15 "(b) Requirements Subject to Waiver.—The provisions of this title that may be waived under this sec-17 tion are— 18 "(1) any provisions of sections 305, 306, and 19 307 requiring statewide uniformity of programs 20 under this title, to the extent necessary to permit 21 demonstrations, in limited areas of a State, of inno-22 vative approaches to assist older individuals; "(2) any area plan requirement under section 23

306(a);

1	"(3) any State plan requirement under section
2	307(a);
3	"(4) any restriction, under section 308(b)(4) or
4	(5), on the amount that may be transferred between
5	programs under part B and part C, or between pro-
6	grams under subpart 1 and subpart 2 of part C; and
7	"(5) all or any part of the reduction in allot-
8	ment required under section 309(c) with respect to
9	a State which reduces expenditures under its State
10	plan (but only to the extent that the non-Federal
11	share of expenditures is not reduced below any mini-
12	mum specified in section 304(d) or any other provi-
13	sion of this title.".
14	(b) Conforming Amendment.—Section 307(b) is
15	amended—
16	(1) by striking paragraph (2) (waiver of main-
17	tenance of effort for rural areas); and
18	(2) by striking "(1)" after "(b)".
19	SEC. 220. CONSOLIDATION OF AUTHORITIES FOR SUP-
20	PORTIVE SERVICES AND SENIOR CENTERS.
21	(a) Community-Based Care and Services.—Sec-
22	tion 321(a)(5) is amended by striking "including" and all
23	that follows and inserting "including—

"(A) client assessment, case management, 1 2 and development and coordination of commu-3 nity services; "(B) in-home services for frail older individuals (including supportive services for vic-6 tims of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders with neurological and organic brain dys-7 function, and for the families of such individ-8 uals): 9 "(C) supportive activities to meet the spe-10 cial needs of caregivers, including caretakers 11 12 who provide in-home services to frail older individuals: and 13 "(D) in-home and other community serv-14 15 ices, including home health, homemaker, shop-16 ping, escort, reader, and letter writing services, 17 to assist older individuals to live independently 18 in a home environment;". 19 DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH PRO-MOTION.—Section 321(a)(8) is amended by inserting "disease prevention and health promotion services and infor-21 mation, including" after "(8)". 22 23 (c) General Authority.—Section 321(a)(22) is amended by inserting "necessary for the general welfare of older individuals" after "any other services".

1	(d) Relocation of Definitions.—
2	(1) Section 342 (definition of "in-home serv-
3	ices'') is relocated and redesignated as paragraph
4	(46) of section 102, and is amended by striking
5	"For purposes of this part, the term" and inserting
6	"The term".
7	(2) Section 363 (definition of "disease preven-
8	tion and health promotion services") is relocated and
9	redesignated as paragraph (47) of section 102, and
10	is amended by striking "For purposes of this part,
11	the term" and inserting "The term".
12	(e) Repeal of Superseded Authorities.—
13	(1) Substantive authority.—Part D (In-
14	Home Services for Frail Older Individuals), part E
15	(Additional Assistance for Special Needs of Older
16	Individuals), part F (Disease Prevention and Health
17	Promotion Services), and part G (Supportive Activi-
18	ties for Caretakers Who Provide In-Home Services
19	to Frail Older Individuals) are repealed.
20	(2) Authorization of appropriations.—
21	(A) Repeals; redesignation.—Section
22	303 is amended by striking subsections (d), (e),
23	(f), and (g), and by redesignating subsection
24	(h) as subsection (d).

1	(B) Conforming Amendment.—Sections
2	202(a)(24) and 304(b)(2) are each amended by
3	striking "303(h)" and inserting "303(d)".
4	SEC. 221. CONSOLIDATION OF AUTHORITIES FOR NUTRI
5	TION SERVICES.
6	(a) School-Based Meals as Congregate Nutri-
7	TION SERVICES.—
8	(1) Section 331 is amended by inserting "(a) IN
9	GENERAL.—" after "331.".
10	(2) Section 338(a) is relocated and redesignated
11	as subsection (b) of section 331, and is amended, in
12	the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking all
13	that precedes "projects" and inserting instead the
14	following:
15	"(b) School-Based Meals and
16	MULTIGENERATIONAL PROGRAMS.—The State may in-
17	clude, in programs under this section,".
18	(b) Repeal of Superseded Authority.—
19	(1) Substantive authority.—Part C of title
20	III is amended by striking subpart 3 and redesignate
21	ing subpart 4 as subpart 3.
22	(2) Authorization of appropriations.—
23	Section 303(h)(3) is repealed

1 SEC. 222. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

- 2 (a) Supportive Services and Senior Centers.—
- 3 Section 303(a)(1) is amended by striking all that precedes
- 4 "for the purpose" and inserting "There are authorized to
- 5 be appropriated \$306,711,000 for fiscal year 1996 and
- 6 such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
- 7 1997 and 1998,".
- 8 (b) Congregate Nutrition Services.—Section
- 9 303(b)(1) is amended by striking all that precedes "for
- 10 the purpose" and inserting "There are authorized to be
- 11 appropriated \$375,809,000 for fiscal year 1996 and such
- 12 sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 1997
- 13 and 1998,".
- 14 (c) Home-Delivered Nutrition Services.—Sec-
- 15 tion 303(b)(2) is amended by striking all that precedes
- 16 "for the purpose" and inserting "There are authorized to
- 17 be appropriated \$94,065,000 for fiscal year 1996 and
- 18 such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
- 19 1997 and 1998,".
- 20 PART C—RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND
- 21 **DEMONSTRATIONS**
- 22 SEC. 231. REVISION OF TITLE IV.
- Title IV is amended by striking all that follows the
- 24 heading of the title and inserting the following:

1	"STATEMENT OF PURPOSE
2	"SEC. 401. (a) It is the purpose of this title to expand
3	the Nation's knowledge and understanding of aging and
4	the aging process; to design, test, and promote utilization
5	of innovative ideas and best practices in programs and
6	services for older individuals; to help meet the needs for
7	trained personnel in the field of aging; and to increase
8	the awareness of citizens of all ages of the need to assume
9	personal responsibility for their own aging through—
10	"(1) education and training to develop an ade-
11	quately trained workforce to work with and on be-
12	half of older individuals;
13	"(2) research and policy analysis to improve ac-
14	cess to and delivery of services;
15	"(3) development of methods and practices to
16	improve quality and effectiveness of services;
17	"(4) demonstration of new approaches to de-
18	sign, delivery and coordination of programs and
19	services;
20	"(5) technical assistance on planning, develop-
21	ment, implementation, evaluation, and improvement
22	of programs and services under this Act; and
23	"(6) dissemination of information on aging is-
24	sues, their impact on individuals and society, and
25	programs and services benefiting older individuals.

1	"(b) ACTIVITIES GIVEN SPECIAL ATTENTION.—The
2	activities supported under this title are intended to fulfill
3	the objectives for older Americans specified in section 101,
4	with special attention to the service and advocacy goals
5	expressed in section 301(a)(1) (A), (B), (C) and (D) and
6	section 601, and to the special population groups identi-
7	fied as vulnerable and at risk throughout the Act.
8	"Part A—Education and Training
9	"PURPOSE
10	"SEC. 410. The purpose of this part is to improve
11	the quality of service and to help meet critical shortages
12	of adequately trained personnel for programs in the field
13	of aging by activities including—
14	"(1) identifying workforce training and develop-
15	ment needs in the field of aging;
16	"(2) developing a broad range of educational
17	and training programs and activities for profes-
18	sionals, paraprofessionals, administrators, techni-
19	cians and service workers;
20	"(3) encouraging recruitment, training and
21	placement of minority trainees in key positions with-
22	in agencies and organizations of the aging network;
23	"(4) improving academic gerontology training
24	and education programs to make them more respon-
25	sive to changing requirements;

1	"(5) increasing the capacity of aging planning
2	and service organizations to improve the perform-
3	ance of their staff and other providers through
4	training and other developmental activities; and
5	"(6) improving the knowledge and skills of
6	teachers, instructors, trainers, guidance counselors
7	and other personnel development staff in aging con-
8	cepts and workforce opportunities and practices.
9	"GRANTS AND CONTRACTS
10	"Sec. 411. (a) In General.—The Assistant Sec-
11	retary may make grants to any public or nonprofit private
12	agency, organization or institution, and may enter into
13	contracts with any agency, organization, institution, or in-
14	dividual, for activities to achieve the purposes of this part
15	including—
16	"(1) development and improvement of multi-
17	disciplinary education and training programs (in-
18	cluding expansion and improvement of curricula, in-
19	structional methods and materials, faculty and
20	teacher development, and program administration)
21	in academic institutions and other educational orga-
22	nizations which prepare individuals for employment
23	in programs and occupations serving older individ-
24	uals;
25	"(2) development and improvement of continu-

ing education and in-service training opportunities

- for individuals already working in the field of aging, including the personnel of State offices, area agencies on aging, senior centers, and nutrition, counseling, ombudsman, adult protective services, and legal
- 5 assistance programs; and
- "(3) development of curriculum and guidance materials for students in secondary and vocational schools to encourage them to pursue employment and careers in the field of aging.
- "(b) Projects Given Special Consideration.—

 11 To achieve the purposes of this title, the Assistant Sec
 12 retary shall give special consideration to the support of

 13 projects that—
 - "(1) improve opportunities for career training activities to ensure an adequate and competent workforce in aging;
 - "(2) increase the capacity of State and area agency and nonprofit service organizations to provide short-term in-service training to staff and volunteers;
 - "(3) develop leadership knowledge and skills of managers and administrators of organizations and agencies which plan, advocate, and provide services to older individuals, through workshops, seminars, and training institutes;

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1	"(4) provide in-service training opportunities
2	for program directors and providers of services to
3	older Indians under title VI through grants to tribal
4	and other nonprofit Indian aging organizations; and
5	"(5) improve the training and preparation of
6	the workforce (including professionals, paraprofes-
7	sionals and volunteers) providing home and commu-
8	nity services for older individuals with physical and
9	cognitive disabilities and mental health disorders.
10	"Part B—Research, Development, and
11	DEMONSTRATIONS
12	"PURPOSE
13	"Sec. 420. The purpose of this part is to improve
14	the quality and efficiency of programs serving older indi-
15	viduals through research and development projects, and
16	demonstration projects, designed to—
17	"(1) conduct research and policy analysis to—
18	"(A) develop and synthesize knowledge
19	about aging programs, practices and policies
20	from multidisciplinary perspectives; and
21	"(B) assess the effectiveness of services
22	and practices designed to improve access to and
23	delivery of service programs; and
24	"(2) develop, test, and evaluate innovative plan-
25	ning, advocacy, and service practices and programs.

1	"RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS
2	"Sec. 421. (a) In General.—The Assistant Sec-
3	retary may make grants to any public or nonprofit private
4	agency, organization, or institution, and may enter into
5	contracts with any agency, organization, institution, or in-
6	dividual for research or policy analysis related to the pur-
7	poses of this part, including development of practices, as-
8	sessment instruments, and applications involving—
9	"(1) use of technology for planning and delivery
10	of services; and
11	"(2) use of interactive communication systems
12	and assistive devices to maintain or increase the
13	independence of older individuals.
14	"(b) Consultation and Collaboration with
15	Other Federal Agencies.—The Assistant Secretary
16	may consult with, and may enter into formal agreements
17	with, other Federal agencies supporting aging research
18	and development activities, including agreements involving
19	interagency transfer of funds to support collaborative re-
20	search activities consistent with the conditions specified in
21	section 451(b).
22	"DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS
23	"Sec. 422. (a) In General.—The Assistant Sec-
24	retary may make grants to any public agency or nonprofit
25	private organization or enter into contracts with any agen-
26	cy or organization to design, test and demonstrate new

1	approaches to planning and delivery of supportive services,
2	nutrition services and other activities to maintain or in-
3	crease the independence and improve the quality of life
4	of older individuals.
5	"(b) Projects Given Priority Consideration.—
6	The Assistant Secretary shall give priority consideration
7	to funding the following projects under this section:
8	"(1) COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR FUNCTION-
9	ALLY IMPAIRED INDIVIDUALS.—Planning, develop-
10	ment, and implementation of new approaches to de-
11	livery of home and community-based supportive serv-
12	ices for older individuals with disabilities limiting
13	their ability to perform activities of daily living, in-
14	cluding projects involving coordination and integra-
15	tion of such services with those for nonelderly indi-
16	viduals with similar disabilities, including approaches
17	that—
18	"(A) promote individual choice in the selec-
19	tion of services;
20	"(B) eliminate access barriers for popu-
21	lations with greatest need;
22	"(C) reduce or eliminate duplication and
23	fragmentation of services;
24	"(D) strengthen the quality, efficiency, and
25	cost-effectiveness of nonprofit service providers;

1	"(E) improve the quality and effectiveness
2	of personnel of public and private entities in-
3	volved in service delivery; and
4	"(F) develop cooperative relationships with
5	private entities to increase the effective use of
6	available public and private resources.
7	"(2) Prevention of crime, violence, and
8	ABUSE.—Planning, development, implementation,
9	and evaluation of comprehensive community, State,
10	and tribal models designed to prevent crime, violence
11	and abuse against the elderly which include—
12	"(A) public education on prevention for
13	older individuals;
14	"(B) supportive services for older individ-
15	uals who have been victimized;
16	"(C) improvements in information and
17	data reporting systems;
18	"(D) coordination of public and private
19	sector services and resources; and
20	"(E) in-service and cross-service training
21	of personnel in criminal justice, health, mental
22	health, law enforcement, social and protective
23	services, and aging and advocacy service sys-
24	tems.

1	"(c) Additional Projects.—The Assistant Sec-
2	retary may support under this section any project de-
3	signed to achieve the purposes of this part, including the
4	following:
5	"(1) Comprehensive community services
6	TO INDIVIDUALS AT RISK OF LOSING INDEPEND-
7	ENCE.—Projects to assist older individuals at risk of
8	losing their independence without assistance in ac-
9	complishing activities of daily living, including those
10	disabled by Alzheimer's Disease and related dis-
11	orders, physical disability, mental illness or emo-
12	tional stress, and developmental disabilities, through
13	comprehensive State and community model pro-
14	grams for such supportive services to such individ-
15	uals, their families and caregivers, including—
16	"(A) in-home health care;
17	"(B) social and medical adult day care;
18	"(C) homemaker aides and personal care
19	attendants;
20	"(D) transportation to and from commu-
21	nity health, mental health and social service fa-
22	cilities;
23	"(E) respite care, caregiver education,
24	training, and counseling and other supportive
25	services for primary caregivers of persons with

1	Alzheimer's Disease, physical and developmen-
2	tal disabilities, or other serious functional im-
3	pairments; and
4	"(F) information and referral, outreach,
5	counseling and other services to increase access
6	to appropriate medical, nutritional, and sup-
7	portive services.
8	"(2) Housing services.—Projects addressing
9	the special housing needs of older individuals by ac-
10	tivities including—
11	"(A) developing programs to enable or as-
12	sist older homeowners—
13	"(i) to maintain their residences
14	through repairs or renovations, and
15	"(ii) to increase their physical safety
16	through structural modifications or alter-
17	ations and installation of security devices;
18	"(B) studying and demonstrating methods
19	of adapting existing housing, or construction of
20	new housing, to meet the needs of older individ-
21	uals with functional impairments;
22	"(C) coordinating counseling services with
23	those available to residents of Federal and
24	State assisted housing facilities with high con-
25	centrations of older residents; and

1	"(D) developing information, counseling
2	and referral programs for older renters and
3	homeowners on housing options, including eligi-
4	bility requirements; application processes; fi-
5	nancing; and legal rights and responsibilities of
6	tenancy and restricted ownership, including
7	foreclosure and eviction.
8	"(3) Education and training.—Projects to
9	provide education and training to older individuals
10	designed to enable them to lead more productive
11	lives through development and demonstration of—
12	"(A) older adult literacy programs, includ-
13	ing use of peer tutoring;
14	"(B) pre-retirement counseling and edu-
15	cation programs; and
16	"(C) older adult occupational training and
17	employment placement and counseling activities
18	not currently supported under title V or pro-
19	grams administered by the Department of
20	Labor.
21	"(4) Transportation services.—Projects to
22	improve and develop transportation systems which—
23	"(A) increase access of older individuals,
24	especially low-income individuals and those liv-

1	ing in rural areas, to community services essen-
2	tial to independent living;
3	"(B) provide low-cost commuter transpor-
4	tation for in-home personal care aides serving
5	functionally impaired older individuals in under-
6	served public transit areas; and
7	"(C) provide assisted transportation serv-
8	ices for frail and disabled older individuals.
9	"(5) Volunteer opportunities.—Projects
10	developed in conjunction with the Corporation for
11	National and Community Service to develop—
12	"(A) innovative opportunities for older vol-
13	unteers to fulfill community needs which are
14	not being met by existing programs (including
15	volunteer programs), including opportunities to
16	provide—
17	"(i) multigenerational services ad-
18	dressing the needs of youth and children;
19	and
20	"(i) peer support and home and com-
21	munity services to other older individuals
22	with functional impairments or otherwise
23	at risk of losing their ability to live inde-
24	pendently; and

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1	"(B) innovative multigenerational volun-
2	teer programs affording opportunities for chil-
3	dren, youth, and adults to serve unmet needs of
4	functionally impaired older individuals regard-
5	less of their living situation.
6	"(6) Health-related services.—Projects to
7	demonstrate effective home and community rehabili-
8	tative, health and mental health promotion, and dis-
9	ease prevention activities for older individuals at risk
10	of losing their ability to live independently.
11	"(7) Consumer protection.—Projects to de-
12	velop innovative approaches to consumer protection
13	for older individuals in home and community set-
14	tings, addressing consumer rights and protections
15	relating to auto, health, life, and other insurance
16	policies; mortgages, leases, and similar property and
17	housing rights; and personal loans and other finan-
18	cial transactions.
19	"PART C—CENTERS
20	"PURPOSE
21	"SEC. 431. The purpose of this part is to improve
22	the quality of services available to older individuals
23	through multi-function, multi-disciplinary centers and

24 other cross-cutting activities as resources for planners, ad-

1	ministrators, policy-makers and providers in the field of
2	aging.
3	"FUNCTIONS OF GRANTEES AND CONTRACTORS;
4	ADVISORY BOARDS
5	"Sec. 432. (a) Functions.—Grantees and contrac-
6	tors under this part shall, as appropriate, perform the fol-
7	lowing functions:
8	"(1) evaluate, analyze, and report on program
9	policies and practices to assess their effectiveness in
10	meeting the needs and improving the quality of life
11	of older individuals and their families and
12	caregivers;
13	"(2) compile, select, and make available re-
14	search, evaluation and demonstration findings which
15	provide useful guidance in determining the needs of
16	older individuals and improving practices in the field
17	of aging;
18	"(3) develop strategies and models to improve
19	the quality, efficiency, and effectiveness of service
20	programs and activities;
21	"(4) develop technical assistance and training
22	materials and participate in workshops, conferences
23	and events which promote transfer of useful infor-
24	mation and practices;

1	"(5) sponsor activities which enhance the edu-
2	cation and training of a competent workforce in the
3	field of aging;
4	"(6) assist other grantees conducting dem-
5	onstration or pilot projects under the Act by provid-
6	ing documentation, assessment, and other assistance
7	in the planning and implementation of such pilot
8	projects; and
9	"(7) conduct information dissemination activi-
10	ties in coordination with such activities of the Na-
11	tional Aging Information Center.
12	"(b) Advisory Boards.—Each center supported by
13	a grant under this part shall establish an advisory board
14	which—
15	"(1) shall provide policy guidance with respect
16	to the planning and conduct of activities under such
17	grant; and
18	"(2) whose members shall include representa-
19	tives of—
20	"(A) State and area agencies on aging;
21	"(B) appropriate national, State, and local
22	service organizations; and
23	"(C) other groups as appropriate.
24	"GRANTS AND CONTRACTS
25	"Sec. 433. (a) National Centers Providing Sup-
	SEC. 430. (a) NATIONAL CENTERS I ROVIDING SOI

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Secretary may make grants to or enter into contracts with any public or nonprofit private entities, for the purpose of operating national centers serving primarily as informational resources to State and area agencies administering programs under titles III and VII, tribal organizations and other organizations administering programs under title VI, and providers of services under such programs.

"(2) Functions of centers.—Centers funded under this subsection shall focus on selected subject-matter areas (including all policy and program issues, such as development, delivery, financing, and coordination of services, concerning such subject-matter area) relating to programs under titles III, VI, and VII, and may include centers such as those focusing on the following program areas:

"(A) Comprehensive home and communitybased services, including long-term care services, intended to enable functionally impaired elderly to remain in their homes and communities.

"(B) Nutrition services, including congregate and home-delivered meals, dietary standards, and related matters.

1	"(C) Information and referral services.
2	"(D) Older Native Americans, including
3	individuals living in tribal and in nontribal
4	areas.
5	"(E) Legal assistance.
6	"(3) National ombudsman and elder
7	ABUSE CENTERS.—Funds available under this sub-
8	section may be used, to the extent the Assistant Sec-
9	retary finds necessary, to support the activities of
10	the National Ombudsman Resource Center under
11	section 202(a)(21) and the activities of the National
12	Center on Elder Abuse under section 202(d).
13	"(b) National Education and Training Cen-
14	TERS.—
15	"(1) In general.—The Assistant Secretary
16	may make grants to or enter into contracts with any
17	public or nonprofit private entities, for the purpose
18	of operating national centers to encourage leadership
19	and improve education, training, and employment
20	practices for the workforce needed to plan, admin-
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<i>4</i> 1	ister and provide services under this Act, and to pro-
22	ister and provide services under this Act, and to pro- mote policy discussion and development to prepare

1 "(2) Functions of centers.—Centers funded 2 under this subsection may include—

> "(A) multidisciplinary academic centers of gerontology to conduct applied research, education, training, technical assistance and dissemination activities with special attention to human resource and development issues affecting special population groups; and

> "(B) a national leadership institute on aging to develop and conduct training activities for executive managers and senior officials of government and nonprofit agencies, voluntary groups, professional associations, and other organizations responsible for planning, financing, and providing programs and services for older individuals.

"(c) Cross-Cutting Policy Centers.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the grants and contracts authorized under subsections (a) and (b), the Assistant Secretary may make grants to or enter into contracts with any public or nonprofit private entities, for research, policy analysis, technical assistance, information dissemination or training activities, as appropriate on any area or areas of broad national interest (including social, economic, health,

1	mental health, and environmental issues) affecting
2	older individuals.
3	"(2) Issues addressed.—Issues that may be
4	addressed under a grant under this subsection in-
5	clude—
6	"(A) broad societal issues addressed in sec-
7	tion 101, including transportation, housing, em-
8	ployment, income security, public safety, health,
9	and mental health; and
10	"(B) concerns of special population groups
11	among older individuals, including low income,
12	older women, rural elderly, minorities, and dis-
13	abled populations.
14	"PART D—Information Dissemination and Related
15	ACTIVITIES
16	"PURPOSE
17	"Sec. 441. (a) In General.—The purpose of this
18	part is to improve the quality, efficiency, availability, and
19	accessibility of services for older individuals through sup-
20	port of information dissemination and utilization activities
21	which—
22	"(1) collect, preserve, and disseminate, publish,
23	or otherwise make available relevant materials con-
24	cerning matters such as research and demonstration

1	findings, and training and technical assistance mate-
2	rials;
3	"(2) synthesize, publish, and disseminate infor-
4	mation concerning completed projects under this
5	title which are of demonstrated value, including—
6	"(A) technical assistance and training in
7	the implementation and adaptation of project
8	methods; and
9	"(B) the development of additional mate-
10	rials which increase the awareness and accept-
11	ance of such project results;
12	"(3) locate, publicize, and make available prac-
13	tical self-help information for older individuals and
14	their families and encourage development of appro-
15	priate public education activities;
16	"(4) support conferences, forums, and other
17	meetings designed to identify, disseminate and pro-
18	mote utilization of research findings, policy prac-
19	tices, and best practices; and
20	"(5) provide technical assistance to grantees
21	under this title and other recipients of support
22	under this Act on the design, development and pro-
23	motion of products and information materials.
24	"(b) Coordination With Other Information
25	SOURCES —Activities supported under this part will be co-

1	ordinated with the information dissemination activities of
2	Centers authorized under part C and other Federal infor-
3	mation clearinghouses and document repositories.
4	"GRANTS AND CONTRACTS
5	"Sec. 442. (a) In General.—The Assistant Sec-
6	retary may make grants to any public agency or nonprofit
7	private organization or enter into contracts with any agen-
8	cy or organization for activities to carry out the purposes
9	of this part, including the following:
10	"(1) activities of the National Aging Informa-
11	tion Center established under section 202(e).
12	"(2) sponsorship and co-sponsorship with other
13	Federal agencies and other public and private orga-
14	nizations of national and regional conferences and
15	other meetings which disseminate discretionary
16	project findings and information related to issues
17	and concerns affecting the well-being of older indi-
18	viduals; and
19	"(3) A National Academy on Aging to serve as
20	a forum for policy analysis and debate on current
21	and emerging issues and for informing policy offi-
22	cials and the public about such issues.
23	"PART E—GENERAL PROVISIONS
24	"AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS
25	"Sec. 451. (a) Authorization.—There are author-
26	ized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of this

- 1 title \$44,384,000 for fiscal year 1996, and such sums as
- 2 necessary for each of fiscal years 1997 and 1998.
- 3 "(b) RESTRICTIONS.—No funds appropriated under
- 4 this title—
- 5 "(1) may be transferred to any office or other
- 6 authority of the Federal Government which is not
- 7 directly responsible to the Assistant Secretary, un-
- 8 less those funds are used for purposes authorized
- 9 under this title in accordance with conditions speci-
- fied by formal inter-agency agreements with other
- 11 Federal agencies;
- 12 "(2) may be used for any program or activity
- which is not specifically authorized by this title (ex-
- cept as specifically authorized by this Act); or
- 15 "(3) may be combined with funds appropriated
- under any other Act if the purpose of combining
- funds is to make a single discretionary grant or a
- single discretionary payment, unless such funds ap-
- propriated under this title are separately identified
- in such grant or payment and are used for the pur-
- 21 poses of this title.
- 22 "PAYMENTS OF GRANTS
- "Sec. 452. (a) Contributions by Grantees and
- 24 Contractors.—To the extent the Assistant Secretary
- 25 deems appropriate, the Assistant Secretary shall require
- 26 the recipient of any project grant or contract under this

- 1 title to contribute money, facilities, or services for carrying
- 2 out the project for which such grant or contract is made.
- 3 "(b) METHOD OF PAYMENT.—Payments under this
- 4 title pursuant to a grant or contract may be made (after
- 5 necessary adjustment, in the case of grants, on account
- 6 of previously made overpayments or underpayments) in
- 7 advance or by way of reimbursement, and in such install-
- 8 ments and on such conditions, as the Assistant Secretary
- 9 may determine.
- 10 "ADMINISTRATION
- 11 "Sec. 453. (a) Administration on Aging.—In
- 12 order to carry out the provisions of this title effectively,
- 13 the Assistant Secretary shall administer this title through
- 14 the Administration on Aging.
- 15 "(b) Assistance From Other Agencies.—In car-
- 16 rying out the provisions of this title, the Assistant Sec-
- 17 retary may request the technical assistance and coopera-
- 18 tion of other agencies and departments of the Federal
- 19 Government as may be appropriate.
- 20 "(c) Outreach to Applicants.—The Assistant
- 21 Secretary shall ensure that applications from agencies, or-
- 22 ganizations, and institutions representing minorities, are
- 23 encouraged in the writing of grant proposal solicitations
- 24 and contract requests for proposals.
- 25 "(d) Consultation.—The Assistant Secretary shall,
- 26 in developing priorities, consistent with the requirements

- 1 of this title, for awarding grants under this title, consult
- 2 with State agencies on aging, area agencies on aging, re-
- 3 cipients of grants under title VI, institutions of higher
- 4 education, organizations representing beneficiaries of serv-
- 5 ices under this Act, and other organizations and individ-
- 6 uals with expertise in aging issues.
- 7 "(e) Evaluations and Reports.—The Assistant
- 8 Secretary shall ensure that grants and contracts awarded
- 9 under this title—
- 10 "(1) conduct evaluation and prepare reports in-
- dicating their benefit to older individuals, and to
- programs under this Act; and
- 13 "(2) comply with the requirements under this
- 14 Act.
- 15 "(f) Report to Congress.—The Assistant Sec-
- 16 retary shall submit, to the Speaker of the House of Rep-
- 17 resentatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate,
- 18 a report for each fiscal year that describes activities for
- 19 which funds were provided under this title including—
- 20 "(1) an abstract describing the purpose and ac-
- 21 tivities of each grant or contract awarded or contin-
- 22 ued:
- 23 "(2) the name and address of the organiza-
- 24 tional recipient;

1	"(3) the name and affiliation of the project di-
2	rector;
3	"(4) the period of project performance; and
4	"(5) the amount of Federal funds awarded in
5	the fiscal year on which the report is made.
6	"(g) External Review.—The Assistant Secretary
7	shall establish by regulation and implement an external
8	review process to evaluate applications for discretionary
9	grant awards under this title.".
10	PART D—COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT
11	FOR OLDER AMERICANS
12	SEC. 241. TRANSFER OF AUTHORITY.
13	(a) In General.—Section 502(a) is amended by
14	striking "Secretary of Labor (hereinafter in this title re-
15	ferred to as the 'Secretary')" and inserting "Assistant
16	Secretary".
17	(b) Transfer of Contracts, Grants, Etc.—
18	(1) In general.—There are transferred from
19	the Department of Labor to the Department of
20	Health and Human Services any contracts, grants,
21	records, and unexpended balances of appropriations,
22	authorizations, allocations, and other funds em-
23	ployed, held, or used in connection with or arising
24	from the administration of the program under title
25	V of the Older Americans Act of 1965

- 1 (2) INTERAGENCY ARRANGEMENTS.—The Sec-2 retaries of Labor and Health and Human Services 3 shall enter into and implement such arrangements 4 as they find reasonable and necessary for the orderly 5 transfer of such program in accordance with this 6 section.
 - (3) Continuation of Regulations, Grants, Contracts, etc.—All rules, regulations, administrative directives, grants, contracts, and other determinations and agreements in effect under such title V on the effective date of this section shall remain in effect until modified, terminated, suspended, set aside, or repealed by the Secretary of Health and Human Services or the Assistant Secretary. References to the Secretary of Labor in such determinations and agreements shall be considered references to the Secretary of Health and Human Services or the Assistant Secretary for Aging, as appropriate.
 - (4) CONTINUATION OF AUDITS.—Audits relating to such title V pending on the effective date of this section shall be unaffected by the enactment of this section.
 - (5) CONTINUATION OF SUITS.—Judicial proceedings and proceedings before administrative law judges under or with respect to such title V pending

on the effective date of this section shall be unaf-1 2 fected by the enactment of this section, except that the Secretary of Health and Human Services and 3 the Assistant Secretary for Aging shall be substituted for the Secretary of Labor as parties to 5 such proceedings. 6 7 (c) Conforming Amendments.— (1) Section 502(b)(1)(P) is amended by striking 8 "Department of Labor" and inserting "Department 9 10 of Health and Human Services". (2) Section 502(c)(1) is amended by striking 11 12 "Health and Human Services" and inserting "Labor". 13 (3) Section 503(a)(1) is amended by striking 14 15 "the Secretary shall, through the Assistant Secretary for Aging," and inserting "the Assistant Sec-16 17 retary shall". 18 (4) Section 503(a)(2) is amended by striking 19 "The Secretary of Labor and the Assistant Secretary for Aging" and inserting "The Assistant Sec-20 21 retary". 22 (5) Section 503(b)(1) is amended— 23 (A) in the first sentence, by striking "The Secretary" and inserting "The Assistant Sec-24 retary and the Secretary of Labor"; and 25

1	(B) in the second sentence—
2	(i) by striking "The Secretary" and
3	inserting "The Assistant Secretary, and
4	(ii) by striking "by the Assistant Sec-
5	retary for Aging,".
6	(6) Section 505(a) is amended—
7	(A) by striking "The Secretary" and in-
8	serting "The Assistant Secretary"; and
9	(B) by striking "the Assistant Secretary
10	for Aging" and inserting "the Secretary of
11	Labor''.
12	(7) Section 505(b) is amended by striking "Sec-
13	retary of Health and Human Services" and inserting
14	"Secretary of Labor".
15	(8) Title V is further amended throughout by
16	striking "Secretary" each place it appears (except
17	where preceded by "Assistant" or followed by "of")
18	and inserting "Assistant Secretary".
19	SEC. 242. PHASED REDUCTION OF FEDERAL SHARE.
20	Section 502(c) is amended—
21	(1) in paragraph (1), by striking "90 percent"
22	and inserting "the Federal share, as specified in
23	paragraph (2),'';
24	(2) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and (3) as
25	paragraphs (3) and (4); and

1	(3) by adding after paragraph (1) the following
2	new paragraph:
3	"(2) the Federal share, for purposes of this
4	subsection, shall be—
5	"(A) 90 percent for fiscal year 1996,
6	"(B) 89 percent for fiscal year 1997,
7	"(C) 87.5 percent for fiscal year 1998,
8	"(D) 86.5 percent for fiscal year 1999,
9	and
10	"(E) 84 percent for fiscal year 2000 and
11	each succeeding fiscal year.".
12	SEC. 243. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
13	Section 508(a) is amended to read as follows:
14	"(a) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry
15	out this title such sums as may be necessary for each of
16	fiscal years 1996, 1997, and 1998.".
17	PART E—GRANTS FOR NATIVE AMERICANS
18	SEC. 251. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
19	Section 633(a) is amended by striking all that pre-
20	cedes "to carry out this title" and inserting "There are
21	authorized to be appropriated \$18,402,000 for fiscal year
22	1996, and such sums as may be necessary for each of fis-
23	cal years 1997 and 1998".

1	PART F—VULNERABLE ELDER RIGHTS
2	PROTECTION
3	SEC. 261. ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR INSURANCE AND
4	PUBLIC BENEFITS.
5	(a) Clarification of Implementation Op-
6	TIONS.—Section 741(d) is amended by adding at the end
7	the following new sentence: "If the State elects to award
8	funds under this section to area agencies on aging or other
9	local entities, it shall give priority to local areas which
10	have high concentrations of older individuals with greatest
11	economic or social need, and in which outreach activities,
12	application assistance, and benefits counseling are inad-
13	equate.".
14	(b) Repeal of Inconsistent Provision.—Section
15	705(a) is amended—
16	(1) by adding "and" at the end of paragraph
17	(6);
18	(2) by striking paragraph (7); and
19	(3) by redesignating paragraph (8) as para-
20	graph (7).
21	SEC. 262. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
22	(a) Ombudsman Program.—Section 702(a) is
23	amended by striking all that follows "chapter 2," and in-
24	serting "\$4,449,000 for fiscal year 1996, and such sums
25	as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 1997 and
26	1998.".

- 1 (b) Prevention of Elder Abuse, Neglect, and
- 2 Exploitation.—Section 702(b) is amended by striking
- 3 all that follows "chapter 3," and inserting "\$6,232,000
- 4 for fiscal year 1996, and such sums as may be necessary
- 5 for each of fiscal years 1997 and 1998.".
- 6 (c) State Elder Rights and Legal Assistance
- 7 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.—Section 702(c) is amended by
- 8 striking all that follows "chapter 4," and inserting "such
- 9 sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 1996,
- 10 1997, and 1998.".
- 11 (d) Outreach, Counseling, and Assistance Pro-
- 12 GRAM.—Section 702(d) is amended by striking all that fol-
- 13 lows "chapter 5," and inserting "\$1,976,000 for fiscal
- 14 year 1996, and such sums as may be necessary for each
- 15 of fiscal years 1997 and 1998.".
- 16 (e) Native American Programs.—Section 751(d)
- 17 is amended by striking all that follows "this section," and
- 18 inserting "such sums as may be necessary for each of fis-
- 19 cal years 1996, 1997, and 1998.".
- 20 PART G—TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS
- 21 SEC. 271. DEFINITIONS.
- 22 (a) Relocation, Reordering, and Redesigna-
- 23 TION OF DEFINITIONS.—

1	(1)(A) Paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 302
2	are relocated and redesignated as paragraphs (48)
3	and (49) of section 102.
4	(B) Paragraph (3) of section 302 is repealed.
5	(2)(A) Section 102(5) is amended by inserting
6	"(A)" after "(5)".
7	(B) Section 102(6) is amended—
8	(i) by striking "(A)" and "(B)" and insert-
9	ing "(i)" and "(ii)"; and
10	(ii) by striking "(6)" and inserting "(B)".
11	(C) Section 102(7) is amended by striking
12	"(7)" and inserting "(C)".
13	(3)(A) Section 102(8) is amended—
14	(i) by striking the subparagraph designa-
15	tions "(A)" through "(H)" and inserting clause
16	designations "(i)" through "(viii)"; and
17	(ii) by inserting "(A)" after "(8)".
18	(B) Section 102(9) is amended—
19	(i) by striking the subparagraph designa-
20	tions "(A)" and "(B)" and inserting the clause
21	designations "(i)" and "(ii)"; and
22	(ii) by striking "(9)" and inserting "(B)".
23	(4) The paragraphs of section 102 are reor-
24	dered in alphabetical order by term defined, and re-
25	numbered accordingly.

79 1 PART H—EFFECTIVE DATE 2 SEC. 281. EFFECTIVE DATE. Except as otherwise specifically provided, the amend-3 ments made by this title shall become effective October 1, 1995. 5 TITLE III—WHITE HOUSE 6 CONFERENCE ON AGING 7 8 SEC. 301. WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE AUTHORIZED. 9 (a) AUTHORITY TO CALL CONFERENCE.—Not later 10 than December 31, 2005, the President shall convene the White House Conference on Aging in order to develop recommendations for additional research and action in the field of aging which will further the policy set forth in subsection (b). 15 (b) PLANNING AND DIRECTION.—The Conference shall be planned and conducted under the direction of the Secretary in cooperation with the Assistant Secretary for Aging and the heads of such other Federal departments and agencies as are appropriate. Such assistance may include the assignment of personnel. (c) Purpose of the Conference.—The purpose

- 21 of the Conference shall be—
- (1) to increase the public awareness of the 23 interdependence of generations and the essential 24 contributions of older individuals to society for the 25 26 well-being of all generations:

1	(2) to identify the problems facing older individ-
2	uals and the commonalities of the problems with
3	problems of younger generations;
4	(3) to examine the well-being of older individ-
5	uals, including the impact the well-being of older in-
6	dividuals has on our aging society;
7	(4) to develop such specific and comprehensive
8	recommendations for executive and legislative action
9	as may be appropriate for maintaining and improv-
10	ing the well-being of the aging;
11	(5) to develop recommendations for the coordi-
12	nation of Federal policy with state and local needs
13	and the implementation of such recommendations;
14	and
15	(6) to review the status and multigenerational
16	value of recommendations adopted at previous White
17	House Conferences on Aging.
18	(d) Conference Participants and Dele-
19	GATES.—
20	(1) Participants.—In order to carry out the
21	purposes of this section, the Conference shall bring
22	together—
23	(A) representatives of Federal, State, and
24	local governments,

1	(B) professional and lay people who are
2	working in the field of aging, and
3	(C) representatives of the general public
4	particularly older individuals.
5	(2) SELECTION OF DELEGATES.—The delegates
6	shall be selected without regard to political affili-
7	ation or past partisan activity and shall, to the best
8	of the appointing authority's ability, be representa-
9	tive of the spectrum of thought in the field of aging
10	Delegates shall include individuals who are profes-
11	sionals, individuals who are nonprofessional, minor-
12	ity individuals, and individuals from low-income fam-
13	ilies. A majority of delegates shall be aged 55 or
14	older.
15	SEC 302. CONFERENCE ADMINISTRATION.
16	(a) Administration.—In administering this section
17	the Secretary shall—
18	(1) provide written notice to all members of the
19	Policy Committee of each meeting, hearing, or work-
20	ing session of the Policy Committee not later than
21	48 hours before the occurrence of such meeting
22	hearing, or working session,
23	(2) request the cooperation and assistance of
24	the heads of such other Federal departments and

- agencies as may be appropriate in the carrying out of this section.
 - (3) furnish all reasonable assistance, including financial assistance, to State agencies on aging and to area agencies on aging, and to other appropriate organizations (including organizations representing older Indians), to enable them to organize and conduct conferences and other activities in conjunction with the Conference (including activities in advance of the Conference, as part of the process of planning for the Conference, and activities subsequent to the Conference in connection with dissemination, discussion, and implementation of recommendations of the Conference);
 - (4) make available for public comment a proposed agenda, prepared by the Policy Committee, for the Conference which will reflect to the greatest extent possible the major issues facing older individuals consistent with the provisions of subsection (a),
 - (5) prepare and make available background materials for the use of delegates to the Conference which the Secretary deems necessary, and
 - (6) engage such additional personnel as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section without regard to provisions of title 5, United States

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1	Code, governing appointments in the competitive
2	service, and without regard to chapter 51 and sub-
3	chapter III of chapter 53 of such title relating to
4	classification and General Schedule pay rates.
5	(b) Duties.—The Secretary shall, in carrying out
6	the Secretary's responsibilities and functions under this
7	section, and as part of the White House Conference on
8	Aging, ensure that—
9	(1) the conferences under subsection (a)(3)
10	shall—
11	(A) include a conference on older Indians
12	to identify conditions that adversely affect older
13	Indians, to propose solutions to ameliorate such
14	conditions, and to provide for the exchange of
15	information relating to the delivery of services
16	to older Indians, and
17	(B) be so conducted as to ensure broad
18	participation of older individuals,
19	(2) the agenda prepared under subsection
20	(a) (4) for the Conference is published in the Federal
21	Register not later than 30 days after such agenda
22	is approved by the Policy Committee, and the Sec-
23	retary may republish such agenda together with the

recommendations of the Secretary regarding such

agenda,

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- 1 (3) the personnel engaged under subsection 2 (a)(5) shall be fairly balanced in terms of points of 3 views represented and shall be appointed without re-4 gard to political affiliation or previous partisan ac-5 tivities,
 - (4) the recommendations of the Conference are not inappropriately influenced by any appointing authority or by any special interest, but will instead be the result of the independent judgement of the Conference, and
 - (5) current and adequate statistical data, including decennial census data, and other information on the well-being of older individuals in the United States are readily available, in advance of the Conference, to the delegates of the Conference, together with such information as may be necessary to evaluate Federal programs and policies relating to aging. In carrying out this paragraph, the Secretary is authorized to make grants to, and enter into cooperative agreements with, public agencies and non-profit private organizations.
- 22 (c) GIFTS.—The Secretary may accept, on behalf of 23 the United States, gifts (in cash or in kind, including vol-24 untary and uncompensated services), which shall be avail-

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1	able to carry out this title. Gifts of cash shall be available
2	in addition to amounts appropriated to carry out this title.
3	(d) Records.—The Secretary shall maintain records
4	regarding—
5	(1) the sources, amounts, and uses of gift ac-
6	cepted under subsection (c); and
7	(2) the identity of each person receiving assist-
8	ance to carry out this title, and the amount of such
9	assistance received by each such person.
10	SEC. 303. POLICY COMMITTEE; RELATED COMMITTEES.
11	(a) Policy Committee.—
12	(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established a
13	Policy Committee comprised of 25 members to be se-
14	lected, not later than 90 days after the enactment
15	of the Older Americans Act of 1995, as follows:
16	(A) Presidential appointees.—13
17	members shall be selected by the President and
18	shall include—
19	(i) 3 members who are officers or em-
20	ployees of the United States; and
21	(ii) 10 members with experience in the
22	field of aging, who may include representa-
23	tives of public aging agencies, institution-
24	based organizations, and minority aging

organizations, and shall include a member of the Federal Council on the Aging.

- (B) House appointes.—4 members shall be selected by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, after consultation with the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and shall include members of the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives. Not more than 3 members selected under this subparagraph may be associated or affiliated with the same political party,
- (C) Senate appointes.—4 members shall be selected by the Majority Leader of the Senate, after consultation with the Minority Leader of the Senate, and shall include members of the Committee on Labor and Human Resources and the Special Committee on Aging of the Senate. Not more than 3 members selected under this subparagraph may be associated or affiliated with the same political party.
- (D) JOINT APPOINTEES.—4 members shall be selected jointly by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Majority Leader of

the Senate, after consultation with the minority leaders of the House and Senate, and shall include representatives with experience in the field of aging, who may include representatives described in subsection (a)(1)(A)(ii). Not more than 2 members selected under this subparagraph may be associated or affiliated with the same political party.

- (2) DUTIES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE.—The Policy Committee shall initially meet at the call of the Secretary, but not later than 30 days after the last member is selected under subsection (a). Subsequent meetings of the Policy Committee shall be held at the call of the chairperson of the Policy Committee. Through meetings, hearings, and working sessions, the Policy Committee shall—
 - (A) make recommendations to the Secretary to facilitate the timely convening of the Conference;
 - (B) formulate and approve a proposed agenda for the Conference not later than 60 days after the first meeting of the Policy Committee;
- 24 (C) make recommendations for partici-25 pants and delegates of the Conference;

1	(D) establish the number of delegates to be
2	selected under section 301(d)(2); and
3	(E) formulate and approve the initial re-
4	port of the Conference in accordance with sec-
5	tion 304.
6	(3) Quorum; committee voting; chair-
7	PERSON.—
8	(A) QUORUM.—13 members shall con-
9	stitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting
10	the business of the Policy Committee, except
11	that 17 members shall constitute a quorum for
12	purposes of approving the agenda required by
13	paragraph (2)(B) and the report required by
14	paragraph (2)(E).
15	(B) Voting.—The Policy Committee shall
16	act by the vote of the majority of the members
17	present.
18	(C) Chairperson.—The President shall
19	select a chairperson from among the members
20	of the Policy Committee. The chairperson may
21	vote only to break a tie vote of the other mem-
22	bers of the Policy Committee.
23	(b) OTHER COMMITTEES.—The Secretary may estab-
24	lish such other committees, including technical commit-

- 1 tees, as may be necessary to assist in the planning, con-
- 2 ducting, and reviewing of the Conference.
- 3 (c) Composition of Committees.—Each commit-
- 4 tee established under subsection (b) shall be composed of
- 5 professionals and public members, and shall include indi-
- 6 viduals from low-income families, and individuals who are
- 7 Native Americans. Appropriate efforts shall be made to
- 8 include individuals who are members of minority
- 9 groups. A majority of the public members of each such
- 10 committee shall be 55 years of age or older.
- 11 (d) Compensation.—Appointed members of any
- 12 such committee (other than any officers or employees of
- 13 the Federal Government), while attending conferences or
- 14 meetings of the committee or otherwise serving at the re-
- 15 quest of the Secretary, shall be entitled to receive com-
- 16 pensation at a rate to be fixed by the Secretary, but not
- 17 to exceed the daily prescribed rate for GS–18 under sec-
- 18 tion 5332 of title 5, United States Code (including travel
- 19 time). While away from their homes or regular places of
- 20 business, such members may be allowed travel expenses,
- 21 including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized
- 22 under section 5708 of such title for persons employed
- 23 intermittently in Federal Government service.

SEC 304. REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE.

- 2 (a) PROPOSED REPORT.—A proposed report of the
- 3 Conference, which shall include a statement of comprehen-
- 4 sive coherent national policy on aging together with rec-
- 5 ommendations for the implementation of the policy, shall
- 6 be published and submitted to the chief executive officers
- 7 of the States not later than 90 days following the date
- 8 on which the Conference is adjourned. The findings and
- 9 recommendations included in the published proposed re-
- 10 port shall be immediately available to the public.
- 11 (b) RESPONSE TO PROPOSED REPORT.—The chief
- 12 executive officers of the States, after reviewing and solicit-
- 13 ing recommendations and comments on the report of the
- 14 Conference, shall submit to the Policy Committee, not
- 15 later than 90 days after receiving the report, their views
- 16 and findings on the recommendations of the Conference.
- 17 (c) Reports.—
- 18 (1) Initial report.—The Policy Committee
- shall, after reviewing the views and recommenda-
- 20 tions of the chief executive officers of the States,
- 21 prepare and approve an initial report of the Con-
- ference, which shall include a compilation of the ac-
- 23 tions of the chief executive officers of the States and
- take into consideration the views and findings of
- such officers.

1	(2) Publication of initial report; final
2	REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after such initial
3	report is transmitted by the Policy Committee, the
4	Secretary shall publish such initial report in the
5	Federal Register. The Secretary shall republish a
6	final report together with such additional views and
7	recommendations as the Secretary considers to be
8	appropriate.
9	(d) RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE POLICY COMMIT-
10	$\ensuremath{TEE}.\ensuremath{The}$ Policy Committee shall, within 90 days after
11	submission of the views of the chief executive officers of
12	the States, publish and transmit to the President and to
13	the Congress recommendations for the administrative ac-
14	tion and the legislation necessary to implement the rec-
15	ommendations contained within the report.
16	SEC. 305. DEFINITIONS.
17	For the purposes of this title—
18	(1) the term "area agency on aging" has the
19	meaning given the term in section 102 of the Older
20	Americans Act of 1965,
21	(2) the term "State agency on aging" means
22	the State agency designated under section 305(a)(1)
23	of the Act,
24	(3) the term "Secretary" means the Secretary
25	of Health and Human Services,

1	(4) the term "Conference" means the White
2	House Conference on Aging, and
3	(5) the term "State" means any of the several
4	States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth
5	of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin
6	Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mari-
7	ana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific
8	Islands.
9	SEC. 306. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
10	(a) Authorization.—
11	(1) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be
12	appropriated such sums as may be necessary for fis-
13	cal years 2005 through 2007 to carry out this title.
14	(2) Contracts.—Authority to enter into con-
15	tracts under this title shall be effective only to the
16	extent, or in such amounts as are, provided in ad-
17	vance in appropriation Acts.
18	(b) Availability of Funds.—
19	(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
20	graph (3), funds appropriated to carry out this title
21	and funds received as gifts under section 303(c)
22	shall remain available for obligation or expenditure
23	until the expiration of the 1-year period beginning

on the date the Conference adjourns.

1 (2) UNOBLIGATED FUNDS.—Except as provided 2 in paragraph (3), any such funds neither expended 3 nor obligated before the expiration of the 1-year pe-4 riod beginning on the date the Conference adjourns 5 shall be available to carry out the Older Americans 6 Act of 1965.

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